

# MINNESOTA JUDICIAL BRANCH HENNEPIN COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH COURT FACT SHEET

#### **PROGRAM MISSION:**

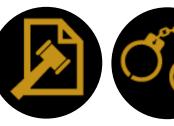
The mission of Hennepin County Criminal Mental Health Court is to address the unmet mental health needs of defendants and to increase public safety through a specialized program that involves intensive supervision by probation, referral and case management services provided by the Criminal Mental Health Court Team and community agencies, frequent appearances before the Criminal Mental Health Court Judge, mandatory chemical health and/or mental health treatment, regular attendance at support groups, and frequent random drug testing.

### ····· PROGRAM GOALS ··









Reduce recidivism

Reduce emergency room visits and hospitalizations

Improve life stability

Increase compliance with court ordered conditions

Reduce jail time

Facilitate access to services

of participants who exited in

2016 had no new crime

of participants had zero hospitalizations during program participation

reduction in unemployment from program start to finish

of treatment referrals were completed successfully

of participants spent no time in jail during program participation

of participants leave the program with health insurance coverage<sup>\*</sup>

## PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK .....

81% of participants surveyed agree they would recommend Mental Health Court to a friend in a similar situation.



"I wouldn't be where I am without Mental Health Court." "I appreciate its services and what it's done for me." "I am really appreciative of everyone here."

## ·····KEY PROGRAM METRICS ······

Average age of participants<sup>\*</sup>

62 Percent people of color\*\*

263 Mental Health Court referrals in 2018

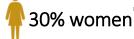
**165** Participants in May 2019

Average months spent in the program<sup>3</sup>

Average number of review hearings<sup>\*</sup>



44% graduation rate<sup>\*</sup>



70% men

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